prove that they have undergone AIDS tests;

(b) whether Government are aware that these tourists are 'high risk group' who can pass it on to innocent Indians; and

(c) what measures are being taken by his Ministry in association with the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (MUFTI MOHD. SAYEED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) These tourists are not 'high risk group' as it is not an infectious/contagious disease and is not transmitted through normal, social contact nor is it transmitted through socialising in swimming pools, restaurants and other public places.

Inclusion of India as a Permanent Member of the Security Council

2243. DR. H. P. SHARMA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any move to make India one of the permanent Members of the Security Council in addition to the existing permanent Members;

(b) if so, what has been reaction of the countries belonging to the Non-Aligned Movement to such a move; and

(c) what are the exact requirements for the revision of the U N. Charter in this direction?

THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALERO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The UN Charter can be amended to increase the number of permanent member of the UN Security Council by a vote of two thirds of the members of the UN General Assembly and ratified in accordance with their national constitutional processes by two thirds of the Members of the United Nations including all the permanent members of the Security Council.

Firms having links with South Africa

2244. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:
SHRI T. R. BALU:

Will he Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) in how many cases during the last three years Government have been able to take action against firms, both national and multinational, for having links with South Africa;

(b) whether presently there exists any order or notification banning national companies and other from dealing with South Africa; if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government are aware that Diamond Trading Corporation (London) is owned by a South African firm;

(d) whether Government are aware that certain firms in the country are dealing with this multinational firm; and

(e) if so, what steps are being taken to put a complete ban on trade with South Africa?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) Thirty seven cases.

(b) Yes, Sir. Para 42 of the Handbook of Import-Export Policy (1985-86) and Customs Notification No: 135|64 bans all trading activities with South Africa.

(c) The Central Selling Organisation Valuations AG, incorporated in Switzerland, made up of Swiss and